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In re Application of:)
KARL-FRIEDRICH DIENER et al.)
International Appl. No: PCT/EP00/00269)
International Filing Date: January 14, 2000)
For: ELECTROMOTIVE DRIVE)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.56, applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references A) to D) which were cited in the International Search Report issued by the European Patent Office with regard to the corresponding PCT application No. PCT/EP00/00269 and references E) and F) which were mentioned in the specification. Applicant does not admit that any of the cited documents constitute prior art against the pending application.

	Country:	Patent or Appl. No:	Patentee or Applicant:	Issue or Filing Date:
A)	Germany	DE 195 17 959 C1	Pfannschmidt	08-29-96
B)	Germany	DE 42 29 038 A1	Fladerer	01-20-94
C)	Europe	EP 0 050 771 A1	Sekine	05-05-82
D)	PCT	WO 96 37035 A	Lienert	11-21-96
E)	Europe	EP 0 826 266 B1	Lienert	03-04-98
F)	Germany	198 01 310.8		

Copies of references A) to E) are submitted herewith along with form PTO-1449. The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449 and to return a copy of the initialed document to the undersigned as an indication that the attached references have been considered and made of record. Please note that reference F) has not been published to date. Reference F) corresponds to European patent application EP 0 930 692, published on July 21, 1999, of which a copy is submitted herewith. Applicant does not admit that EP 0 930 692 constitutes prior art against the pending application.

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In order to satisfy the requirement under 37 C.F.R. §1.98(a)(3) for a concise explanation of the relevance of each item of information, applicant herewith submits a copy of the International Search Report.

The above-identified application discloses and claims an invention patentable over these references.

Entry of the references above set forth into the file of the above application is believed to be in order and is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted

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